

## S.P.A. Convention August 23-26

### Liechtenstein To Issue Three Sets

Liechtenstein on August 21 will produce three different stamp issues each of which will be available on first day covers, or in mint condition at face value.

A pair of the same design, a symbolical eagle with princely crown and wreath of oak leaves, are to note the 150th anniversary of the Sovereignty of Liechtenstein. The artist is the Very Rev. Cannon Frommelt of Vaduz.

A 10 rappen will be dark brown and gold; a 1.20 Franc in slate gray and gold. Printing is by photogravure in panes of twelve subjects from plates number 1 and 2.

For the 50th birth anniversary of Prince Franz Joseph II there will be four stamps, photogravure printed in panes of 20, plates numbered 1 and 2.

They bear a portrait of the ruler of this small European nation and come in denominations and colors of 10rp olive green, 15rp dark blue; 25rp dark violet; 60rp dark green.

The design is from a portrait by Max Peobing-Mylot of Munich, Germany.

For the sixth philatelic exhibition at Vaduz there will be a 20rp dark olive yellow the design of which is adapted from the Red Cross series. It will come in panes of nine stamps from plates 1 and 2, the printing via photogravure.

All three series are printed by Courvoisier S.A. of La Chaux de Fonds, Switzerland.

Face of the 150th Anniversary pair is 1.30fr (31c U.S.); of the Birthday four, 1.10fr (26c); the Stamp Show single of 20rp (5c).

Envelopes for first day covers will sell at 10rp (3c) and can be used by collectors who have a set of any of the three issues affixed at the face value of the stamps, plus the cost of the envelope.

Payments should also allow for return postage and registration. Such are to be made to the Postcheque Account IX 6535 by certified check or bank draft. Send orders and payments to the Fuerstlich Liechtensteinische Verkaufsstelle fuer Postwertzeichen, Vaduz Liechtenstein.



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### "FINLANDIA 56" A Dignified Philatelic Triumph; Choice Collections In 2000 Frames

Ernest A. Kehr

Finland's entire population would fit into New York's vest pocket, but when it comes to philatelic achievement, it can hold its head proudly, for in the presentation of FINLANDIA 56, July 7 to 15, it made a definite contribution to our avocation. The exhibition was an unqualified success and a tribute to its industrious planners, workers and committee.

It measured up to the especially high standards generally prevalent at continental stamp exhibitions. Once again Europeans demonstrated that their idea of an important philatelic exhibition of international stature is to be measured in terms of dignity rather than hoopla and ballyhoo; quality instead of quantity.

From the moment the show opened it was obvious that it would be a memorable triumph. The entire front of the vast exposition hall had been filled with seats set amid potted plants, flowers, and other decorations; That area of the floor which was not covered with fresh grass sod, was carpeted in red; they even brought in pine trees

from outlying forests to add to the spirit of the outdoors.

Once the invited guests had been seated (hundreds more had to stand on stairs and balcony) the Helsinki Symphony compelled immediate silence with the first bars of "Finlandia", by Jan Sibelius.

The post office counters were ready for business, but none of the many persons present even thought of making purchases before the ceremonies were concluded. These were relatively brief, yet impressive in their simplicity.

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### Kent Philatelic Society Of Grand Rapids Hosts; Major Awards Are Fine Furniture

J. Edward Vining

A convention of the Society of Philatelic Americans which promises to be one of the most interesting and pleasurable ones ever staged is the 62nd annual coming at Grand Rapids, Mich. August 23 to 26. Because entries for the exhibition and attendance expected have gone far beyond the optimistic expectations of the organizing committee, some changes had to be made in recent weeks. The convention meetings and headquarters will continue in the Pantiind Hotel, but the exhibition and bourse, originally scheduled for the same place, have to be moved to the Civic Auditorium.

However, that move will mean no inconvenience to convention attendees for the hotel and auditorium are connected by a tunnel.

The Kent Philatelic Society is S.P.A. Branch #210 and host club for the affair.

Of interest is the news that prizes for winning exhibits in the stamp show will be furniture, for the manufacture of which Grand Rapids claims itself as the world capital. The grand award will be a genuine Honduras Mahogany Coffee Table with a value of \$150 offered by Julius Bergsma, president of the Imperial Furniture Co.



Sectional prizes are Grand Rapids furniture.

Other awards will be of furniture with value ranging from \$50 to \$75 per piece. Prizes will have a value of approximately \$1000 retail.

Other special trophies have been (Continued on page 6)

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The new items are a 70 hwan yellow green for mail to Japan; 110h brown for Hong Kong; and 205h magenta for mail to the United States.

Previously issued denominations (June 15, 1954) according to Song Ki Choo, P.O. Box 1109, Seoul, Korea are 25h, 35h, 38h, 58h and 71h.

The Scott Catalog lists the design as type AP4, "Plane Over East Gate, Seoul".

### Florida Federation At West Palm Beach

On November 2, 3, and 4 the Palm Beach Stamp Club will be host to FLOREX — 1956, the seventh annual meeting and show of the Florida Federation of Stamp Clubs at the Hotel George Washington, West Palm Beach.

The affair will include a large dealer's bourse, an exhibition and banquet and an auction by Pat Herst of Shrub Oak, N.Y.

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WEDNESDAY, August 22

8:00 P.M. - Opening Registration  
9:00 P.M. - Pre-Convention Get-to-Gether and Preview of Show

THURSDAY, August 23

9:30 A.M. - Registration  
9:30 A.M. - Exhibition, Bourse and Post Office Open  
10:00 A.M. - First S.P.A. Business Meeting  
1:00 P.M. - Postal History Slides - (Hillsdale County)  
2:00 P.M. - Grand Rapids Postal History Slides  
2:30 P.M. - Style Show and Tea  
4:00 P.M. - Postage Meter Slides  
10:00 P.M. - Exhibition and Bourse Close  
10:15 P.M. - Get-to-Gether and Buffet Lunch

FRIDAY, August 24

9:30 A.M. - Registration  
10:00 A.M. - Exhibition, Bourse and Post Office Open  
11:00 A.M. - Grand Rapids Postal History  
1:00 P.M. - Postage Meter Slides,  
2:00 P.M. - Tour of Furniture Exhibition Building  
4:00 P.M. - Michigan Postal History Slides  
8:00 P.M. - Second S.P.A. Business Meeting  
10:00 P.M. - Exhibition and Bourse Close

SATURDAY, August 25

9:30 A.M. - Registration  
10:00 A.M. - Exhibition, Bourse and Post Office Open  
10:00 A.M. - Final S.P.A. Business Meeting  
1:00 P.M. - Philometer Society of Chicago Annual Meeting  
2:00 P.M. - Tour of Furniture Museum  
3:00 P.M. - Michigan Postal History Slides,  
6:30 P.M. - S.P.A. Annual Banquet and Presentation of Awards  
10:00 P.M. - Exhibition and Bourse Close

SUNDAY August 26

9:30 A.M. - Philatelic Breakfast  
10:00 A.M. - Registration  
10:00 A.M. - Exhibition and Bourse Open  
1:00 P.M. - Grand Rapids Postal History Slides  
2:00 P.M. - Michigan Postal History Slides  
3:00 P.M. - Postage Meter Society Slides,  
5:00 P.M. - Exhibition and Bourse Close

### Devils Tower Seen On Stamps

Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has announced the description of the 3c Devils Tower National Monument commemorative stamp, which will be first placed on sale at Devils Tower, Wyoming, on September 24.



It will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in dimension, arranged vertically, printed by the rotary process, electric-eye perforated, and issued in panes of 50. The color will be announced later. A printing of 120,000,000 stamps has been authorized. The central design portrays a view of Devils Tower National Monument in Wyoming and was reproduced from a photographic print. The wording "U.S. Postage,"

in white face Gothic, is arranged in one line across the top of the stamp. The denomination "3c," also in white face Gothic, is shown to the right just beneath the Tower. The wording "50th Anniversary Devils Tower National Monument," in dark face Roman Italic, is shown in three lines across the bottom of the stamp.

Stamp collectors desiring first day cancellations of the Devils Tower commemo may send addressed envelopes, together with money order remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster, Newcastle, Wyoming, where the preliminary work will be done.

An enclosure of medium weight should be placed in each envelope and the flap either turned in or sealed. Collectors should bear in mind that this is a vertical stamp and envelopes should be addressed in the lower left corner, particularly when blocks of four are desired.

### Northern Morocco New Regular Series

Sometime before August 31, the new definitive series for the now independent Northern Morocco (formerly a Spanish Protectorate) will be released. This series according to Carlos Lenze, Barquillo 29, Madrid, Spain will consist of denominations of 10, 15, 25, 30 centavos and 5 and 10 Pesetas and a special delivery of 2Pts.

The country name will appear both in Spanish and Arabian as Marruecos.

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Our membership has shown a good steady increase, and this without any recruiting campaign other than the usual concentrated efforts by a group of loyal workers.

One of the most pleasant duties of the office of president and something I will cherish in my memories the rest of my days is the many thousands of miles traveled visiting branches, giving talks, being guest speaker at various philatelic affairs, and the friends I have made. My one regret is the fact that my health kept me from attending more stamp shows.

The success of the S.P.A. during my administration of the past four years is due to the loyal support, the generous cooperation of my fellow officers and directors and the invaluable efforts of a few appointed officials whose work on behalf on the society goes unnoticed except by one in a position to see. To these people, my sincere thanks and may my successor have the good fortune to have their continued support.

While I am retiring as president this does not mean that I will cease to be active in the affairs of the S.P.A. Upon my passing of the gavel to the new president I will automatically become a member of the Board of Directors as the Junior Past President.

I sincerely hope to see many of the readers of this publication in attendance at the S.P.A. Convention in Grand Rapids. You know you need not be a member of S.P.A. to attend and enjoy the Convention and become acquainted with the members and officers of the stamp organization with the motto "Friendship thru Stamps".

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Authorization to operate a temporary philatelic station at the exhibition was granted to the Scranton post office by the Post Office Department. A complete selection of commemorative stamps will be available. All mail handled at the

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## Here's That Man Again

Since my last editorial of June 25th, I have been through a lot and have missed out on a lot so that this will be in the form of an effort to catch up over this period and again try to fill this column with matters of general interest. I had expected to attend the Florex meet at Sarasota which opened the day after I had my first attack. Sorry I missed this but the great crowd of good friends there took time to circulate a good Wishes and Hurry Up And Get Well note signed by a host of friends and sent to me. Likewise an ASDA meet to be held at Winter Haven at the home of my good friend Clare Phillips also sent me a note signed by all in attendance. Similar notes came from a lot of friends all over the country, hundreds of cards and letters from those who got the news of my condition via some grapevine and I want this to be accepted by these good people as my acknowledgement of and appreciation for their thoughtfulness. I can not attempt to reply personally to all such kind remembrances: I hope this will be the last occasion for remarks of this nature and I hope to be with you again regularly now. So much has happened that is of interest as stamp news and a lot has happened here in Florida that I know some of my friends would be glad to hear about. Maybe I can slip in a paragraph or two of just personal interest to some of you about these happenings, but now let me try to pick up where I left off in my editorial of June 25 and prior thereto. Remember at this latter date I had already had my operation. These editorials are sometimes written two or three weeks ahead of publication date so that explains how I could be in the hospital and still have editorials published after I was discharged.

The one principal thing that is a hangover from these old editorials has to do with my comments on FIPEX. As you remember I had remarked about the judging and was of the opinion that the judging was based on a point system as printed in the Prospectus for FIPEX. Such a system is the one commonly used in all stamp shows that I have ever known anything about and I have known a lot about and have actively worked in a very large number of such shows in many different towns and through correspondence with readers concerning shows in their towns a point system of judging was about the only thing we ever heard of.

You will remember that I had condemned the giving of the Grand Award to the collector who got it. I am supported in this by dozens of letters from well informed dealers and collectors all over the country. I went so far as to remark that apparently the judges had simply gone into a huddle and came up with a "I like this one best" and that the award was given in this manner.

Now it appears that I was mistaken about the point system. I am told that it was used only in the judging of the Junior Exhibits and that all other exhibits were judged in another manner. Just what the manner was, no one has as yet explained to me. It was Steve Rich who has specifically called this to my attention and Steve as you know is like the guy that Jimmie Durante always talks about, the fellow that "wants to get into the act". Steve wrote me and said, "I dare you to have the courage to do that". He meant to admit that I was wrong when I thought that the point system for judging was used. I have acknowledged this now, Steve, and I also acknowledge that my belief that the other judging was based simply on "I like this one best", seems to be the right opinion.

Now Steve if I am wrong in this belief, perhaps you can tell me as well as our readers just how the other judging was done. Insofar as I have been able to learn, and I think this is true for all other collectors outside the small inner FIPEX circle, there was no set of rules by which the show was to be judged. It was simply a case of look 'em over, then state your preference without any reason being given and that was the system of judging.

Can anyone imagine such a form of judging or refereeing any kind of a contest? This show was a contest, a contest among stamp collectors to display their stamps and their knowledge about them, their skill in mounting and displaying their stamps, not just a mere matter of who had the most money and could therefore show the rarest stamps. Now unless Steve can give us a formula by which the judging was done, if done other than as suggested above, we will consider this matter closed for the time being at least.

There is however one other thing about FIPEX which needs clearing up and that is a complete financial statement on the show. If this is not made public let us hope when the next one comes up that those who were the chief supporters of this event will keep the purse strings tight.

## Sly, Like A Fox

We want to congratulate John Fox on a statement he made when he opened his new offices at 110 W. 42nd St., New York. Says Fox, "It is going to be like the good old days every lot that I get in, and believe me I am getting plenty, will be priced with a minimum markup and any dealer (he should have said 'Collector' too) who walks out of here without a lot will only do it because he doesn't have cash in his pocket. I am going to turn and turn and turn."

I believe in the last 25 years I have advised no less than a hundred embryo and prospective dealers as well as some well established to try doing business on such a basis. Some years ago there was a young man up in Michigan, he was handicapped by the loss of a leg, and was confined to a wheel chair. He knew little or nothing about stamps but he had got interested in some manner, perhaps because handling and working with stamps was something that he could do in the condition in which he found himself. He started buying and selling. He paid no attention to what Scott said a stamp was worth. He simply bought at the best price he could and sold as quickly as he could at a small advance over his cost.

Catalog values and catalog prices meant nothing to him. He bought for cash, thus got good deals and he sold at a low price, taking only a modest profit. Today this man is worth many thousands of dollars and he did only what thousands of others could have done if they had worked on a similar basis. There is nothing any dealer can do that will do him so much good as to give a collector a bargain. The average collector, and he is the backbone of the stamp trade, has a limited amount to spend.

You do not have to get his ten dollars or his fifty dollars by

trying to sell him something at a stiff price. Open up some of those old packages you have kicked under the counter, from which you have already realized the return of your investment plus a profit. Give it to the collector at a price he can not fail to like and make him happy. He will come to you time after time looking for more.

When the late Percy Doane passed on his stock hid away under his counter, in closets and shelves in his crowded room was big enough to stock up several small dealers. Most of it was stuff stuck away years before. Even he had no idea what was left. He had bought, sold off the cream and threw the rest of it aside as of too little use to work over.

This material should have been marked at low prices and sold to his trade when originally acquired. Nothing a dealer can do that will handicap him more is to keep stuffing away this sort of material. Many dealers are short of cash because it is piled under the counter and forgotten.

We congratulate John Fox on his new plan and we hope he sticks to it. If he does so he will grow and grow and grow.

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### 1956 STAMP PROGRAM

August 5 — "Wheatland" 3c, Lancaster, Pa. (50 per pane, 120 million).

September 22—3c Nassau Hall, Princeton, N. J. (50 per pane, 120 million).

September 24 — 3c Devils Tower, Devils Tower, Wyo. (send covers for first day service to Newcastle, Wyo., 50 per pane, 120 million).

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1032—Mount Vernon 1/2c, Mt. Vernon, Va., February 22.

1038 — Woodrow Wilson 7c, Staunton, Va., January 10.

1040—Alamo 9c, San Antonio, Texas, June 14.

1041 — Independence Hall 10c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 4.

1042—Monticello 20c, Charlottesville, Va., April 13.

1047 — Hamilton 55c, Paterson, N. J., March 19.

1073—Ben Franklin 3c, Philadelphia, Pa. January 17.

1074—Booker T. Washington 3c, Booker Washington Birthplace, Va., April 5.

1075 — FIPEX 11c Souvenir Sheet, April 28, New York, N. Y.

1076 — FIPEX 3c, New York, N. Y., April 30.

1077 — Wild Turkey 3c, Fond du Lac, Wis., May 5.

1078 — Antelope 3c, Gunnison, Colo., June 22.

1079 — Pure Food Law 3c, Washington, D. C., June 27.

UC-24—FIPEX 6c airmail envelope, New York, N. Y., May 2.

UX44—FIPEX 2c postal card, New York, N. Y., May 4.

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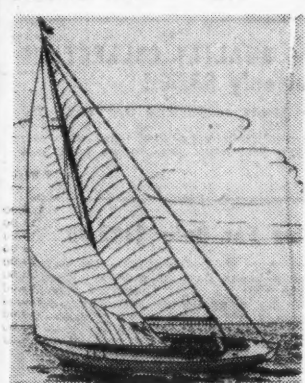
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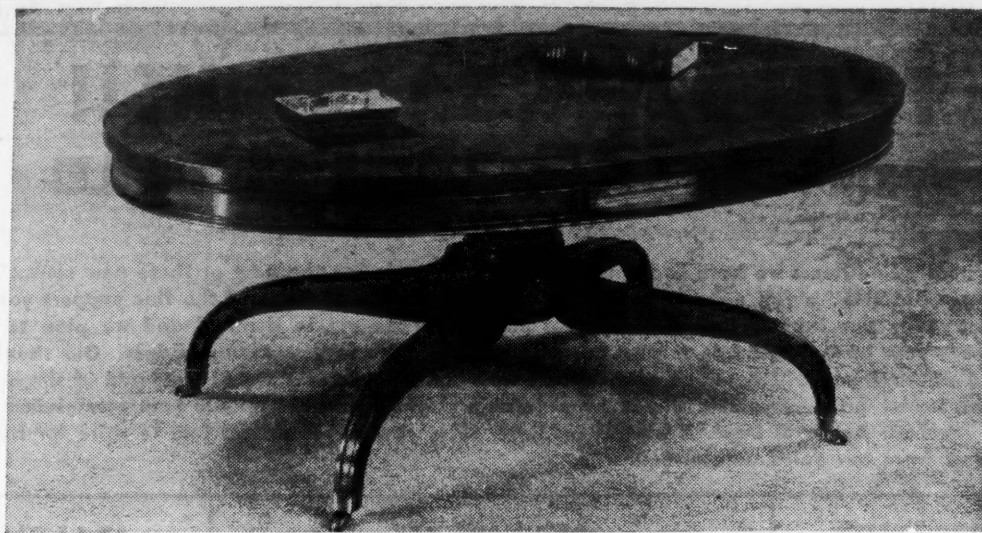
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announced by participating groups  
and individuals. For the best Slavic  
display will go the Dr. Kozakie-  
wicz prize (he's president of the  
Polonus Philatelic Society, Chi-  
cago); for the best SPA Chapter  
exhibit, the Fred Barovick trophy  
(vice president of the SPA); for  
best Metered Mail display, Walter  
M. Swan, (Metered Mail Society);  
best SPA Chapter publication, the  
Ben Reeves award (president of  
the SPA); best Research showing  
in one frame, Elmer Zinsmeister  
trophy (editor of SPA Journal);  
best topical, Kent Philatelic Society  
award; second best topical, Homer  
L. Jones, (past president American  
Topical Assn.); best exhibit by a  
Peninsular States Philatelic So-  
ciety member the Edward E. Puls  
trophy (president of PSPS). Sec-  
onds and thirds will receive SPA  
medals.

Clarence E. Randall, general  
chairman believes there will be  
between 800 and 1000 frames of all  
kinds of material in the exhibition.

The host club has prepared seals  
and cacheted covers available to  
all. The covers, postmarked from  
the special exhibition post office,  
sell at 10c each or three for 25c.

The seal design pictures a furni-  
ture craftsman at his work bench  
in the days of hand carved furni-  
ture. The subject will be four print-  
ed to a sheet. The sheet is about  
2½ by 4 inches and has grained

paper to resemble wood. The colors  
will be mahogany red on brown  
grained paper; green on gray  
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turn of the seals.

The exhibition and bourse will  
officially open at 9:30 a.m., on  
Thursday, August 23. Registration  
will start at 8 p.m. Wednesday  
evening with a sneak preview of  
the show, followed by a get-to-  
gether party staged by the host  
club.

The first S.P.A. business session  
will be held on Thursday morning  
at 10 a.m. This is election year of  
the society. A full slate of officers  
and two directors are to be elected.  
Ben Reeves of Chicago will retire  
as president, at the final business  
session on Saturday morning.

The annual banquet will be held  
Saturday evening and a philatelic  
breakfast on Sunday morning.

The philatelic entertainment this  
year will include lectures, with  
slides and movies on stamps. The  
outside entertainment will be a trip  
to the Furniture Museum, the only  
one of its kind, and a visit to  
the Furniture Exhibition Bldg. di-  
rectly across from the auditorium.



This is the Civic Auditorium at Grand Rapids, Mich. where the more  
than 800 frame exhibition of stamps and related philatelic material  
will be held in conjunction with the 62nd annual convention of the  
Society of Philatelic Americans, August 23 to 26.

British Move  
Flabbergasts Public

An announcement in the British  
House of Commons on July 18 that  
the British Post Office will release  
special definitive stamps for Ire-  
land, Scotland and Wales, has left  
the British philatelic world flab-  
bergasted.

An equivalent to this would be  
the United States Post Office De-  
partment preparing a different set  
of stamps for use in each of the  
48 states, and possessions.

Values for the above named sec-  
tions of Britain will be 2½d, 4d  
and 1/3. Special stamps are also to  
be printed for the Isle of Man, Jer-  
sey Island and Guernsey Island in  
2½d denomination only.

The stamps are expected to ap-  
pear early in 1957, in small size,  
no name of the issuing section,  
but with a typical symbol for each  
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BY CARL P. RUETH

One of the probable commemoratives for 1957 will undoubtedly note the 50th anniversary of Military Aviation in the United States. Capt. W.H. Flint, stationed at the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md. has called my attention to a news item in the Air Force Times which indicates that such a stamp is almost a certainty.

A contest for a design has been announced by the National Society of Art Directors. It will be confined to members.

The three top selections from the regional shows will be assembled for inspection by a committee composed of Air Force officials, the postmaster general and NSAD representatives on October 2.

Now let's see whether supposedly qualified artists understand the requirements of stamp design and come up with a stunner.

1. What buildings are shown on the Roosevelt commems of 1954?
2. Do you remember the names of the objects depicted on the 1939 New York World's Fair commem?

Two sharpies caught the error in the one question of the July 23 column. These observant readers are Earl Lowe of Birmingham, Mich., and Melvin W. Miller of Syracuse, N.Y.

I had asked, "What two commemoratives were sold in the greatest quantities? Can you guess these quantities?" The answer given was the 2c Columbian and the 2c flat press Harding. According to Messrs. Lowe and Miller the all time champ was the 2c Washington Bi-Centennial which had a production of 4,222,198,300.

Then came the 3c NATO with 2,899,580,000; the 3c NRA with 1,978,707,300; and the 2c Allied Nations with 1,671,564,200.

In this edition is the announcement of details in connection with the Devils Tower stamp. Read closely about where to send your prepared envelopes for first day covers.

Also remember that this item is in vertical format which makes for little room on the ordinary size envelopes for your name and address if a block of four is used.

One of the best of the topical publications I see regularly is the "Fine Arts Philatelist", the official organ of the Fine Arts Unit of the American Topical Assn. It is edited by Mrs. Clare McAlister, 915 Nelson Dr., Muskogee, Okla.

A great deal of the reading matter is devoted to the delineation of artistic material which has appeared in the designs of stamps ranging from artists through all manner of art forms. Biographical and historical stories are provided for designs which fall within the scope of the unit's interests.

Of special appeal to U.S. collectors is "Works of Gilbert Stuart on United States Stamps" by Deane Keller, professor of Fine Arts at Yale University. Besides a fine background story of Stuart and his work, there is also a checklist devoted to the Stuart artwork appearing on U.S. stamps.

If interested in this May-June edition, or in the Fine Arts Unit, write to Mrs. McAlister at the above address.

Fred C. Romine of Waverly, Ohio has gotten some figures from his congressman which should be considered by everyone.

As you know there is an attempt to increase postage rates in all four classes of mail. By the time you read this, the matter might have been decided one way or another.

First class mail at 3c (which the new bill wants to raise to 4c) produced a net profit of \$62,300,000 to the government. Airmail, which is now 6c (the bill wants to make it 7c), produced a net profit of \$20,266,000.

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There certainly can be no quarrel with this concept since informed people generally make the best kind to live and deal with.

This rate has been boosted a couple of times in the past several years. Some of us have absorbed these rate increases, while other publications have increased the subscription price to make ends meet.

The third class rate is for parcel post under 8 ounces, and the fourth for parcel post of more than eight ounces. This is the mail which brings you stamp collectors your stamps, accessories, supplies and albums. On some things now, the postage that has to be paid represents a good bit of the purchase price.

I think more and more people are going to balk at paying out these high postage fees for buying through the mail. When they do, it will mean the curtailment of the mail order business not only stamps, but for all other merchandise.

For your own protection, if your local paper has not indicated that the bill has been voted on in the senate, send your senator a protest against increases.

If we can toss billions of dollars all over the world as Santa Claus Uncle Sam, we can surely subsidize our own citizens and businesses to the extent of not increasing current rates.

Francis J. Cronan of Mexico City, Mexico comments on the practice which a number of collectors use, of sending currency through the mail in payment for merchandise or services.

He advises that in Mexico that kind of thing can get the sender in trouble. And it doesn't have to be Mexican money which is mailed, either - that of any country is culpable. The mailer can be fined three times the cost of the postal insurance services applicable to the sum mailed.

If the remitter cannot be located, the person receiving the money may be held liable!

Other countries which permit no currency in the mails are England and Japan, to name a couple.

This brings up another point. In our news stories about forthcoming issues to be released around the world we sometimes give the address of the nation's philatelic agency where one might obtain mint stamps at face, or first day covers.

This is always given where we know that collectors will get first rate service and consideration. Where it is not included in a news story, philatelic service is not available.

Practically always it is cheaper to buy from your dealer than to send off to get what you want at face. When you consider the postage costs over and back, plus registration fees, and the cost of a money order, check or bank draft, you lose money by not getting your stamps from a dealer.

There is the exception that when you buy in quantity, going to the philatelic agency is cheaper. But not for just a few copies or sets.

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All mail to be carried in the Mayflower must be posted in the special souvenir covers which can be obtained from J. Sanders, Ltd., 7 Commercial Rd., Southampton, England. The Directors of the Project wish to emphasize that the above firm is the sole agent appointed to deal with the special souvenir covers.

The Project has not, and does not, propose to appoint any other agents for this purpose and covers obtained from any other source will not be entitled to bear the commemorative postmark which the Postmaster General has allocated.

The official souvenir covers will be printed in a shade of red-brown resembling in color the ink of the period. There will be reproduced on each cover a copy of the Mayflower Compact with the signature of Commander Alan Villiers, Master of the new Mayflower. Every purchaser of a souvenir cover will also receive a copy of the ship's newspaper, the Mayflower Mail, which is the journal of the Mayflower Project.

The net proceeds from the sale of the souvenir covers will be devoted towards the maintenance of the vessel and if any surplus remains it will be handed over to a Trust Fund which is to be set up for the purposes of encouraging Anglo-American relations, with particular regard to historical research and exchange visits.

### Iceland Single For T and T Centenary

September 29 is the first day of issue of a stamp Iceland will release for the 50th anniversary of the nation's telephone and telegraph system.

According to Jonas Hallgrimsson, P.O. Box 1116, Reykjavik, Iceland it will have a face value of 2.30Kr and have a design pertinent to the subject.

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Frankfurt am Main has one of the busiest airports in the world, and from there many tourists hurry on to Dusseldorf, "The Paris of Germany", Munich, in "beautiful Bavaria" and to other cities throughout Europe. Frankfurt itself has much to interest the traveler, however, particularly a topical stamp collector, like myself.

For instance lest anyone think that the improbable looking creature shown on Congo Scott No. 206 is a mythological beast, Frankfurt's zoo can disprove that. There has been an Okapi in Frankfurt's zoo since May 1954 when Dr. Bernhard Grzimek brought one back to Germany for the first time from Stanleyville.

Another curiosity, this time in the plant world, is grown during the summer months in an indoor pool at Frankfurt's Palmengarten. This is the Victoria Regia from the Amazon, whose flat leaves grow to a diameter of six feet. It can be seen on Brazil 496 and on British Guiana 24 and 219. Unfortunately, that is as close to seeing it as I have come so far, since my visit was too early in the season.

Other plants growing in the extensive glasshouses which may also be seen in a "philatelic garden" are rice and coffee as well as many varieties of cactus, succulents, orchids, and palms.

The most famous son of Frankfurt is, of course Goethe, Germany's greatest author, and, as one critic has quipped, "the last man in the world to know everything." German stamps pertaining to Goethe are not hard to find since the bicentenary of his birth in 1949 brought forth a number of sets in his honor.

The surtax resulting from the sale of Germany B306-308 was for the reconstruction of the Goethe House, the poet's birthplace and the house in which he spent his boyhood. Since Goethe was born into a cultured and wealthy family, the house is intriguing as an example of 18th century architecture and furnishings.

Goethe's home is located in Old Frankfurt, a section of the city bordering the Main River which was characterized by its timbered and narrow winding streets. Before its destruction in 1944 it was the largest early-medieval city in Germany. Goethe's house was destroyed, but the furnishings had been stored in a safe, place, detailed plans and measurements had been made, and as much as possible of the original building material was salvaged.

In the Goethe Museum I recognized the original of J. W. H. Tishbein's "Goethe in Rome" (Germany B306). It is quite a large painting and is hung over the staircase, where it shows to advantage. Leaving the museum I walked next door, pulled the door chain, and was admitted to the Goethe House almost as if I were presenting a calling card instead of a ticket. There was a venerable guide who was no more a linguist than I, so I had to rely upon my "little red book"—Baedeker's FRANKFURT—for any factual information I desired.

In the salon the first thing I noticed was the wallpaper, for it has a Chinese motif and seemed surprisingly contemporary considering the current vogue of oriental design. The furniture is mainly French in design and is deservedly popular today. The potted plants in the windows and the absence of silken rope barriers encourage the illusion that one is in a home rather than a museum.

One room, however, in which there is no danger of forgetting the passage of time is the kitchen. Although it overlooks a charming inner garden, there is little else to tempt me to exchange kitchens with Frau Goethe!

There are separate rooms devoted to books and to music and one room houses the elder Goethe's collection of contemporary paintings by Frankfurt artists. It is said that he was unique among Frankfurt patricians by his patronage of modern artists. Goethe's study is on the third floor, his own inner sanctum. Here he wrote the first version of FAUST. He completed Part II of FAUST shortly before his death in 1832 at the age of 83.

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Seated at an outdoor table opposite the Romer I was engaged in research for a thesis I am writing, "Cafes I Have Known". I was lucky enough to gain some unexpected material, because suddenly an official car dove up, several dignitaries and their wives got out and were saluted briskly by the police at either side of the ancient iron doors. Several other cars were

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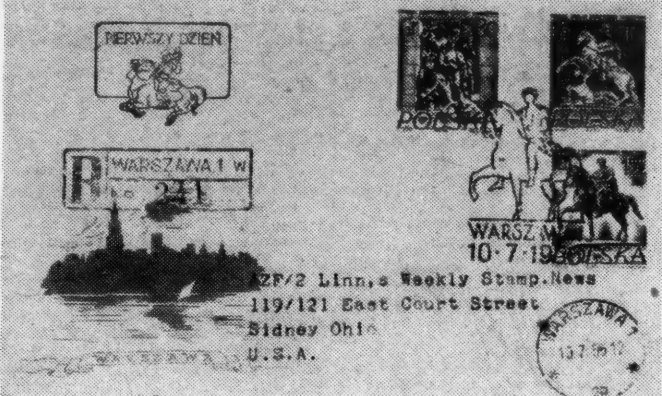
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## CPS Cachets Will Feature Railroadiana

On September 24 the Chicago Philatelic Society will issue its annual set of three historical cachets, in connection with the Society's 70th anniversary philatelic exhibition.

The cachets this year continue the railroad commemoration theme which has been so popular for the last ten years. The subject is the 125th anniversary of the first regular service of the New York Central system, one of the largest of the great railway lines radiating from Chicago.

The first train service was inaugurated September 24, 1831, on the original Mohawk & Hudson Rail Road, over its 17 miles, from Albany to Schenectady. The DeWitt Clinton, one of the first successful steam railway engines, pulled the string of stage coach cars, to the acclaim of thousands of excited citizens along the line. Its coaches had flange wheels and ran on rails of strap iron.

It was the first railroad train ever to operate in New York state and one of the very first in America to run on a regular schedule.

The first train of these lines entered Chicago in May 1852.

Three events in New York Central history will be featured on the cachets:—"The First Run of the DeWitt Clinton—1831"; "Abraham Lincoln Funeral Train—1865"; "The First Fast Mail—New York to Chicago—1875".

Requests for the cachets must be made immediately. Send 50c with the name and address for each set to Chicago Philatelic Society, 2736 W. Gunnison St., Chicago 25, Ill.

The society's annual philatelic exhibition this year celebrates the group's 70th anniversary. It will be held November 2, 3 and 4 in the Congress Hotel in Chicago.

William H. Schulze, exhibition chairman, has already received entries from coast to coast and the show promises to be outstanding in every respect. A prospectus and entry blank may be had by addressing him at 1826 W. Diversey Pkwy., Chicago 14, Ill.

## PHILATELIC VACATION

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emptied in similar fashion, and soon there was nothing of official-dom left except half a dozen green-uniformed policemen.

Later I learned that the grey haired gentlemen who so quickly vanished through the doors was President Theodor Heuss.

The building that President Heuss entered is the gabled building to the right of the Haus zum Romer. Although the facade remains the same the interior has been redesigned. Here as elsewhere throughout Germany one can observe how reconstruction is being done with a desire to retain the spirit of the old, but without any attempt to reproduce an exact copy. (The Goethe House is an exception, of course.) The famed baroque "Emperor's Staircase" has vanished from the City Hall, but the new one is graceful yet impressive.

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The "Staircase Tower", on the other hand, luckily still remains as an example of Renaissance architecture. The staircase led, as I discovered, to an exhibition of modern art of the kind that cartoonists love, for it looks as if you could do-it-yourself. I don't know what I expected to find at the top of this romantic staircase—not a fair maiden from a Grimm's

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This rambling description is intended to illustrate how topical collecting can enhance any vacation trip. Certainly there are museums and zoos everywhere, as well as historical landmarks. Needless to say, vacation trips can also enhance your topical collection if you care to accompany your stamps with a post card, snapshot, or other memento.

If you are interested in stamps of the world showing architecture, paintings and sculptures, you should join the Fine Arts Unit of the American Topical Association. Write Miss Beatrice Berner, 6 Wayland Drive, Verona, N.J. for details — better yet, send her a dollar and asked that your subscription start at once to the **Fine Arts Philatelist**, the bulletin edited by Clare McAlister, and Kay Ziegler.

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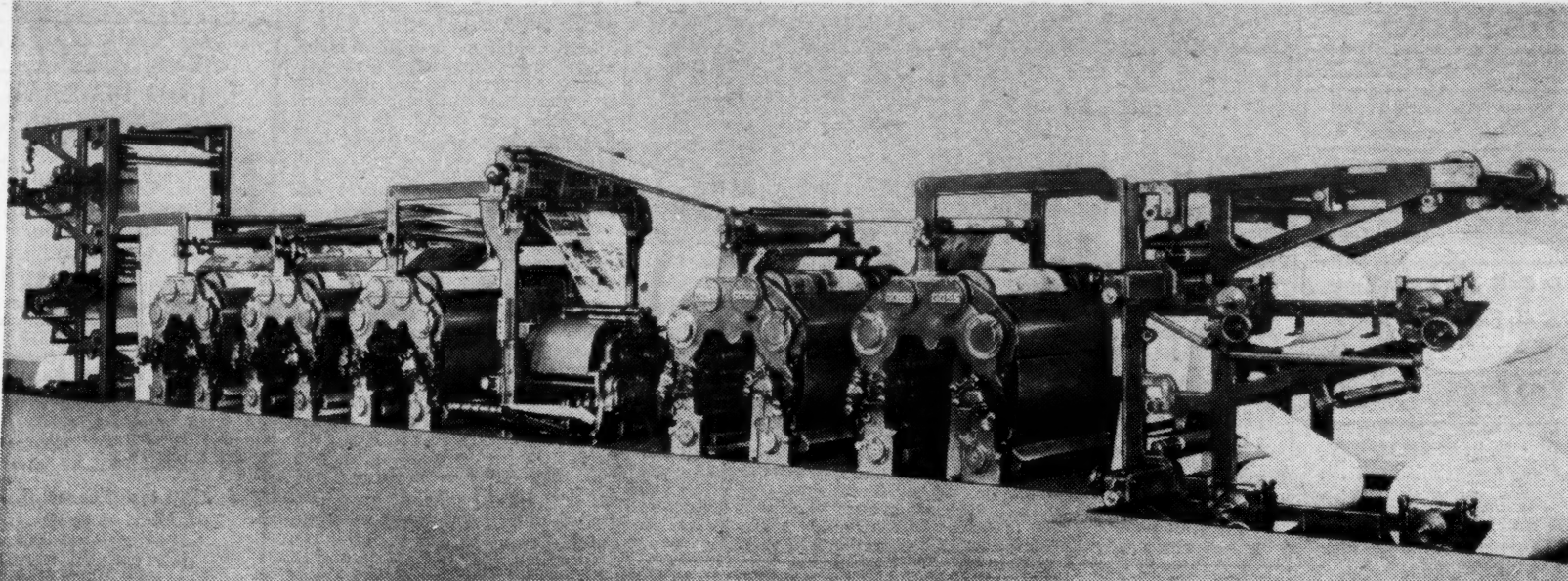
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## More Regulars From Colombia

The fifth stamp in Colombia's 22-value new regular series should appeal to the Food, or Plants on Stamps topicalists for it pictures a girl picking cocoa. The design is flanked by a cocoa pod on each side on which the 5c denomination has been superimposed. The color is an olive brown. The release date is July 19.

H.A. Mussenden, Sr., Airbox 5822, Bogota, Colombia advises that the new stamp pays tribute to the Department of Cauca whose chief product is cocoa. Previously released were 30c gold mining; 25c banana plantation; two 5c, map of the archipelago of San Andres and a view of the principal port.

On July 24 six additional values of the series were issued. "D" indicates Department; "I" indicates Intendency. They are 2c Atlantic (D), Marine Terminal; 10c Caldas, Coffee Industry (D); 20c Choco, Map of the Department (D); 40c Santander, Tobacco Industry (D); 60c Tolima, Cotton Plantation (D); 5 Pesos Guajira, Panoramic View (I).

July 31 saw the release of a 5c Cordoba (D), Cattle; 2P Meta (I), View of the Prairie.

LINN'S WEEKLY STAMP NEWS NOW PRINTED ON THIS. This is the newly installed Goss Universal Press on which Linn's will now be produced each week. It is part of a major new equipment and expansion program of the Sidney Printing and Publishing Co. which produces the Sidney Daily News, and also does the mechanical production for Linn's. The press is 67 feet long and twelve feet high and is capable of producing at the rate of 36,000 copies per hour. It cost \$200,000 fully installed. It can print 80 pages of Linn's tabloid-size newspaper at a time, or 40 pages of regular size. Four-color work is another of the advantages of this most modern of equipment. The continuing healthy growth of Linn's both in circulation and the larger quantity of pages of reading matter and advertising was a major factor in deciding the executives of the publishing company to expand both their floor space and equipment.

## Irish Commemorative For John Barry

The Irish Post Office will issue a special postage stamp in September to mark the presentation to the people of Ireland by the people of the United States of a statue of Commodore John Barry, "Father of the American Navy".

He was born in Ireland in 1745 and played an important part in the founding of the United States Navy in which he served with distinction throughout the naval campaigns of the American Revolution.

The statue, which is to be erected in Wexford Harbor, is the work of the American sculptor, Wheeler Williams and shows Barry, standing, in naval uniform and with sword in hand. Cast in bronze by Boston, Mass. the statue will be conveyed to Ireland in a vessel of the United States Navy.

The President of Ireland will perform the unveiling ceremony in Wexford on September 16 in the presence of a distinguished gathering which will include the American Ambassador to Ireland and members of both Houses of the United States Congress.

The stamp will bear a reproduction of the statue and will be recess-printed in two values, 3d and 1/3 by De La Rue at Clonskeagh, Dublin, on paper watermarked "E". To the right of the statue of the name "John Barry" will appear and at the bottom of the stamp the denomination will be given and the name of the State in the Irish language, "Eire".

First-day covers, which must be fully addressed, will be serviced by the Postmaster of Wexford and also by the Controller, Philatelic Section, G.P.O., Dublin and the

Postmasters of Cork, Limerick, Waterford and Galway. A special first day of issue mark will be impressed on first-day covers posted at the offices mentioned. At this stage the exact date of issue cannot be stated but it will be announced as soon as possible.

The face value of the two stamps is 21c (U.S.). This sum can be sent in the form of an international money order, bank draft or cashier's check made payable to the Controller of the Philatelic Section, or to the Postmasters of the respective cities if first day cancels are wanted from their offices.

Orders for mint stamps should be sent to the Controller, Philatelic Section, G.P.O., Dublin, Ireland.

Sea-mail if dispatched at once will probably reach Ireland in time for cover servicing. It costs 8c per ounce. Airmail is 15c per half ounce.

## Topical Postmarks Denmark, Sweden

From Denmark and Sweden come four special postmarks, two each, which have somewhat of a topical appeal. One of the Danish pictures sailboats on a lake with the slogan, contained in the double-ring, "Take the L train to the Limfjord Country".

The other was applied at the temporary post office set up at the 8th International Congress of Pediatrics at Copenhagen, Denmark July 21 through 27.

Both of the Swedish postmarks are pictorial in nature. A temporary post office was established at the 8th International Congress and Exhibition for Photogrammetry, in Stockholm. The cancel was applied July 17 to 20, and July 23 to 26.

It is a single-ring postmark in the center of which is shown a plane above a globe doing aerial mapping.

For the theatrical-minded collector the cancellation applied at Varberg, Sweden is of interest. It notes the ten years of Fortress Plays at that city. Besides the dedicatory wording, the postmark has a knight posed before a fortress.

Covers containing impressions of the above were received from Gunnar Madsen, Tollose, Denmark.

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6	328-30 VF Set	4.10
7	327-400a Perf. 12 issue VF	4.25
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34	Danzig 198 Stamps on Album pages	32.50
35	Dutch Indies #250-62 Cpl. Set VF	4.12
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37	Ethiopia 29 Diff. G-VF	6.52
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50	Lithuania #316a Imperf. Sheet VF	1.00
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52	Luxembourg #N18-9 VF	1.11
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57	New Zealand #224-5 Block of 4 (2) VF	2.00
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59	North Borneo #35-43 VF	4.30
60	North Borneo #35-43 Same VF	4.30
61	Portugal #108 VF Copy	3.50
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63	Russia #970 Imperf. Sheet VF	2.00
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65	St. Lucia #145 VF	70
66	Surinam #24, 1892-2 1/2 on 50c Brown & VF copy	3.00
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71	Foreign #64 different sets, Min. & used, VG-F	11.32
72	Collection of about 1,200 in Scotts, Vol. #1, Album like new (some U. S.) worth bid of	8.00
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82	China #C8-10 Cpl. set VF	5.55
83	Colombia San. 74 for Registration	.75
84	Colombia San. #75-6, #76 has small thin spot but VF	5.50
85	Ecuador #C15-5 VF set	2.65
86	Egypt C2 VF Copy OG	2.25
87	Egypt #C2 VF Copy OG	2.25
88	Egypt #C39-50 Cpl. set VF	5.05
89	France #C22 VF	5.00
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93	Fr. West Africa #C16 VF	2.50
94	Guatemala #C92 VF sheet	3.00
95	Guatemala #C99a to f, singles from sheet VF	1.47
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102	Israel #C9 VF	2.25
103	Israel #C9 same	2.25
104	Italy #C42-7 Zepp set Cpl. VF	3.85
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## WHEN COLLECTING UNITED STATES USED BLOCKS WAS THE RAGE

J. F. McGee

The quest for used blocks was rife in the latter part of the 1920's and the early part of the 1930's. It started with the economic depression that gripped the country during the period mentioned, when a million or more men and women were on the W.P.A. rolls. Thousands of collectors were in the straits of having to accept used singles and blocks, if they wished to keep up with the new issues of commemorative stamps.

And James A. Farley, the PMG, was certainly turning out new issues in those days. There were the Washington Bicentennial set, the Century of Progress sheets, the W.P.A., the Byrd, the National Parks series, souvenir sheets and others.

Latching onto fine used singles was easy while they were current, but well-centered, nicely-cancelled blocks were hard to come by even from dealers.



Naturally the majority of adult collectors were aware they could obtain cancelled blocks through special delivery mailings. But only one of them had the kind of enterprise to tackle it as a business.

His first move would be to contact the postmaster of a nearby small town and then assure him if he would appoint him as a special delivery messenger he would increase the business of his office several fold. If his pitch went over he was in business.

His next step was to arrange for a local address. He could now put through any number of post cards and covers prepaid with blocks of commemorative stamps. Naturally the blocks would be well-centered and he would see to it they would be lightly cancelled with the town postmark, and then collect the delivery fee, which I believe at that time was 8c for each post card or cover.

At that rate three thousand post cards and covers in one lot would add up to \$240. Of course he still owned the blocks of stamps.

When these choice used blocks reached the philatelic market through local auctions and dealers, it was said a rage for them started, and most of them fetched face value or more.

This method of obtaining used blocks spread to different parts of the country and was referred to as, "The Special Delivery Racket" although it was legal. The two largest operators worked the Nebraska field. They put through one small Nebraska, post office about 400,000 post cards with blocks of stamps. It was reported that this pair put over the same racket at two other post offices in the state, but do not have information on how they and the post offices fared.

I thought I had kept newspaper clippings with an account on other cases of this special delivery racket, but have located only one, which is from the Omaha World-Herald of June 30, 1934. It states: "J. L. Van Valin and Wallace Manion, both of Omaha, who secured the appointments as special delivery messengers from the Strang, Nebr. P.M. were bound over to the Federal Grand Jury on the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government by taking excessive fees. Ed Schulte, Strang barber, to whom the post cards by the thousands were addressed by Van Valin and Manion, testified that he had received more than 20 deliveries of large lots of special delivery post cards. Seven of these deliveries totalled 152,264 cards and if the others were the same size the total would run to about 400,000 cards, upon which the special delivery fee would amount to \$30,000.

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**FRANCE.** On July 7 a 75fr blue and green stamp was issued. The design depicts an Alpine climber scaling a mountain.

**GERMANY (West).** The monument of the heroes of the airlift is the design of a new 15pf air mail commemorating the fifth anniversary of the end of this supply operation.

On July 10 two stamps were issued. A 20 pf shows the Freie University and a 10pf green shows a church.

**HONDURAS.** A 2c blue and black (Dona Genoveva Guardiola de Estrada Palma), and 24c purple and black (Don Julio Lozano) are the first three airmails to be issued in a set which will consist of nineteen values. It is for international airmail with one value to be used for special delivery.

**JAMAICA.** August 15 is the date set for the issuance of the 5 shilling, 10 shilling and £1 values of the new definitive set.

**MONTERRAT.** The new 1/2c stamp was placed on sale July 3.

**NETHERLANDS.** A semipostal set of five values will be issued on August 27 in honor of the 1956 Olympics to be held in Australia. The surtax is to be used to finance the trip to Melbourne by the Dutch team. The values will be: 2c plus 3c, sailboat; 5c plus 3c, athlete; 7c plus 5c, vase; 10c plus 5c, ice hockey; and 25c plus 8c, water polo.

**NEW ZEALAND.** Three stamps of similar design are to comprise the 1956 Health set. The stamps, 1 1/2d plus 1/2d, 2d plus 1d, and 3d plus 1d, will be placed on sale September 24. The design shows two children picking apples.

**NORTH BORNEO.** To commemorate the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Chartered Company, four stamps will be issued later this year. The values will be: 10c, 15c, 35c, and \$1.

**POLAND.** Three stamps were issued July 10 showing Warsaw Monuments. The 30gr. black shows the Monument of Ghetto Heroes, the 40gr brown-green shows a statue of Jan Sobieski III, and the 1.55z1 violet shows a Statue of J. Poniatowski.

Six stamps are being prepared honoring the Olympics and are expected to be placed on sale late in August or early in September.

**SEYCHELLES.** A 40c ultramarine and a 1 Rupee black stamp have been authorized depicting "La Pierre de Possession". The design, similar for both stamps, features Queen Elizabeth and the stone.

**"Arts" Philatelist Features Stuart**

The latest issue of the Fine Arts Philatelist, published by the Fine Arts Unit of the American Topical Assn., features an article, "Works of Gilbert Stuart on U. S. Stamps," by Deane Keller, a professor of Fine Arts, Yale University. Nine of the paintings of Stuart appear on the postage stamps of the United States, the Confederate States, and the Philippine Islands.

According to professor Keller, 84 stamps have been issued bearing Stuart's likeness of Washington, Martha Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Robert Livingston, Commodore Barry, and Governor Winthrop Sargent. A checklist of the stamps, according to Scott Catalogue, accompanies the article.

"The Master Work," continues with listing and description of stamps showing architecture, sculpture and painting, as well as architects, sculptors, and painters. This issue includes the stamps of Red China, Corfu, Crete, Croatia, Curacao, and part of Czechoslovakia.

Subscription for the bi-monthly publication is included in Unit membership costing \$1 for the calendar year. It is edited by Mrs. Clare McAlister, 915 Nelson Drive, Muskogee, Okla., who will furnish information as will the Unit Secretary, Beatrice M. Berner, 6 Wayland Dr., Verona, N.J.

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## 1952-53 Lebanese Imperf Regulars

Bruce Conde

It had long been a standard and unhappy philatelic practice of the Republic of Lebanon's Post Office Department to issue 1500 imperfs of commemorative sets for free distribution to postal clerks, employees and officials.

Strenuous efforts by collectors and dealers to stop this practice seemed to have been successful, inasmuch as the last few commemoratives (1955's Rotary and Homecoming, and 1956's UN sets) did not appear imperforate, although there is a rumor of a single set of one sheet each of the UN floating around in an unofficial limbo somewhere.



Vertical pairs of the 7 1/2 pi and 1/2 pi imperforate.

Not being aware of this recent improvement in Lebanese philately, a foreign dealer, who had not been here for years, stopped by the Beirut G.P.O. on his way to FIPEX and canvassed the clerks for imperforate "bonus" pairs of recent issues, which he hoped to dispose of in New York.

Unable to believe that the postal authorities had abandoned this profitable side line, he wouldn't take "no" for an answer, but delved deeper.

One of the clerks finally told him.

"Look, Khawaja (Sir) what do you see in my counter stock?"

"Why," said the stranger, "I see the 2 1/2, 5, 7 1/2, and 50 piaster regular stamps of this issue, (the current 'Baalbek Columns and Globe', with 'Cedar and Arch' low values) and the 5, 10, 15, 35 and 50 piaster and 1, 2, and 3 pound ('Fruit') airmails, also the 25 and 35 piaster 'Homecoming' commemorative airmails."

"Is that all?"

"Well, no. You also have the 25 piaster Beit ed Din Palace regular stamp of a few years ago, the 75 piaster 1947 'Dog River Plaque' airmail commemorative and the 12 1/2 piaster A.P.U. commemorative of 1955."

"You see, Khawaja," said the clerk, "the stock keeper fills our

requisitions with old, obsolete stock of certain values which are now missing from the current sets."

"Of course. But what is all this leading to?"

"Be patient, Khawaja, and look at these replacement items I found among the 7 1/2 piaster and 1/2 piaster stock issued to me a few weeks ago." He passed a few mint pairs across the counter.

"Unbelievable," said the dealer, "they are imperfs of the 1952 and 1953 definitive (Scott's Nos. 260 and 266), and these were never issued in imperforate condition!"

"If I tell the stock keeper they are defective, tomorrow morning he will take them back and issue me perfectly good perforated copies."

"Oh no, don't do that. See here, my good fellow. I am prepared to purchase all of them and any more you can get, for face value, and, of course, to add a reasonable gratuity for you and your friends, to compensate you for the additional trouble..."

"No doubt, Khawaja, but as the ones who were not lucky enough to find these unusual varieties in their stock will be jealous, you would also have to agree not to dispose of these in Lebanon."

"Would New York be a enough away?"

"Of course."

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After FIPEX, the lucky dealer returned, through Beirut, to his country. Calling at a local dealer in Beirut, he told the above story and said:

"I still have 100 of the 7 1/2 piaster out of the 600 original quantity, 400 of the 1/2 piaster out of 900, and 100 of the 1/2 piaster printed on the gum side, on top of the gum. But my country charges a big customs duty on valuable stamp stock and I can't afford to pay that and to let the rest of the stock lie dormant. I will dispose of it to you as a liquidation lot and you can truthfully say it was brought in from overseas by a foreign dealer."

The local dealer took him up on this deal and is now offering the three varieties of definitive imperfs to his local and overseas clients and has submitted specimens to the catalogues.

As they have not yet been advertised abroad, there is some question about the total quantities, whether or not any were sold at FIPEX or at other (European) dealers en route to and from the U.S., or even if the fellow's story was true, or if he has kept a quantity in spite of his "customs" story.

All that is known here is that the 600 imperfs described above exist and are being offered as Lebanon's only recent imperforate regular postage definitives. The only other ordinary post definitives listed in imperforate condition are eight values of the 1937-46 set, mentioned, but not priced in a Scott footnote.

## Dealer ★ ★ ★ Doings

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George J. Mitchell regrets any delay which might have occurred in the past few weeks in the answering of mail and requests. He is the operator of Collectors Exchange, 813 E. 56th St., Richmond 24, Va. Mrs. Mitchell passed away after a prolonged illness at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. Besides her husband she is survived by two children.

Israel in a 1957 price list at 1955 prices is to be found in this edition of Linn's in the ad of Academy Stamps, Inc., 1766 N.W. 7th St., Miami 35, Fla. The firm is liquidating three large estates of Israel holdings. Other specialties of the firm include UN, Ryukyus, Vatican, Confederate States, U.S. & Possessions and U.S. first day Covers.

Last March the death of Jean Germak, prominent dealer of France, occurred and for two months the firm was closed to business pending the arrangement of the estate. Mrs. Germak has announced her intention of continuing the business of her late husband and has made every effort to answer all mail. The address is 49 bis Rue Sainte-Anne, Paris (2e), France.

While not a dealer, Maj. R.C. Dettman, 72 Marlow St., Wembley, Western Australia has on a number of occasions exchanged stamps with collectors in other countries, sent them stamps at face, and prepared first day covers of Australia for them. Because of his wife's serious illness he was not able to handle requests for a number of weeks.

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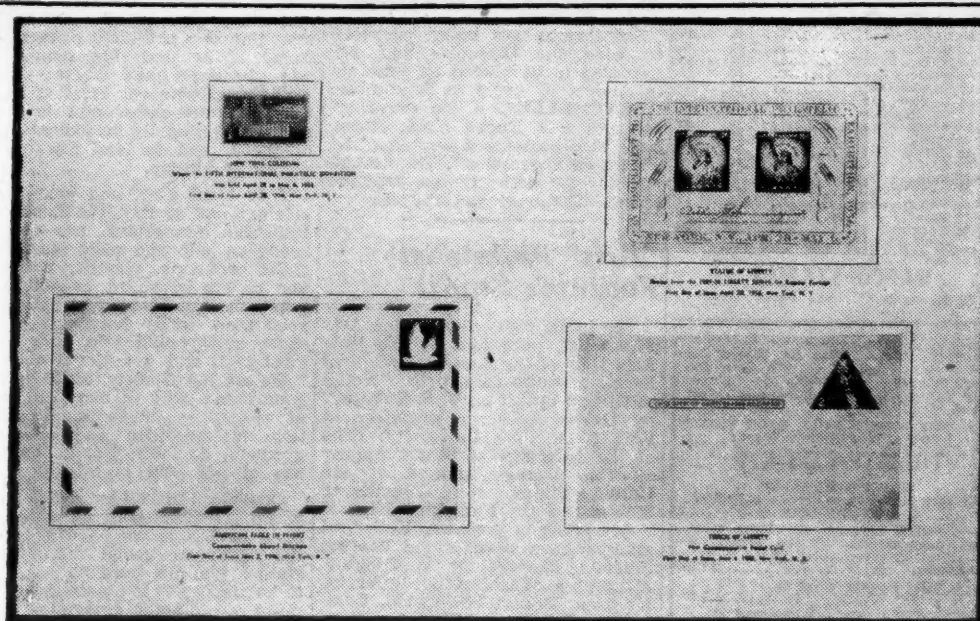
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The recent uprising of the Polish  
people against the oppression of  
the communist regime may come  
as a surprise to many Americans.  
But to a philatelist "this was to  
be expected."  
Sister Mary Fidelma, curator of  
the internationally famous Cardinal  
Spellman stamp collection, Regis  
College, Weston, Mass., pointed out  
that the tremendous love of free-  
dom and religious fervor of the  
Poles is evident throughout the 14  
volumes of Polish stamps now part  
of the renowned collection.  
A collector of these issues for 53  
years, Edward Nowak of Winthrop,  
Mass., donated the 14 volumes of  
40,000 stamps to Cardinal Spell-  
man.  
"To study stamps is to study a  
nation—its history, its culture and  
its character," Sister Fidelma said.  
"Hitler with his horde of Gestapo  
agents could not stop the inborn  
patriotism of the Polish people nor  
extinguish their spark of hope.  
History is repeating itself."  
She referred to a stamp printed  
by Polish army officers in the  
Woldenberg camp, 1943, to cele-  
brate the eightieth anniversary of  
the 1863 uprising against the Rus-  
sians in Poland. Another stamp  
commemorated the 25th anniver-  
sary of Polish independence, a  
third depicted Poland's highest de-  
coration, "Virtuti Militari."  
Amid the horrors of a concen-  
tration camp and in the presence  
of strict Nazi guards these stamps  
were printed from hand-carved  
dies on scraps of wood and used in  
secret inter-camp communications.  
These are but a few of the  
stamps in the treasured collection  
at Regis College.

**Poster Seals For  
Olympic Exhibition**  
For the philatelic exhibition at  
Melbourne, Australia during the  
Olympic Games a set of seals has  
been prepared which are available  
to collectors everywhere. The  
show, to be known as Olympex,  
will be open to the public from  
November 12 to 24.  
  
Besides the pertinent wording,  
one seal design pictures a sprinter  
leaving the starting blocks, while a  
second, se tenant, shows a racer  
clearing a hurdle.  
These come perforated, and im-  
perforated, twelve to a sheet, at 6c  
per sheet. Each sheet has six of  
each design. There are five differ-  
ent color combinations. A full set  
of the seals consists of ten sheets  
which can be obtained at 60c plus  
return postage (20c by sea-mail, or  
60c by air). It takes two or more  
months each way by surface mail.  
Another seal, for a much differ-  
ent purpose, has made its appear-  
ance in a 1956 edition. It is the  
"All Year" of the Anti-TB Assn. of  
New South Wales. The design is the  
same as the 1954 but in different  
colors. It pictures a knight on a  
white horse, sword aloft, with the  
Cross of Lorraine on his shield.  
These come in booklets of 240  
(eight pages of 30) and cost four  
dollars. Single panes are sold at  
50c. Postage is extra as above.  
Chairman of both the Olympex  
Seal and Anti-TB Seal sale is Keith  
Tucker, 276 Glenlyon Rd., North  
Fitzroy N7, Victoria, Australia.  
Payment can be sent by dollar  
bills, but no coins. Also bank  
drafts, certified checks and inter-  
national money orders.

**3c 1851-57 APS Unit  
Reelects Officers**  
The Three Cent 1851-57 Unit of  
The American Philatelic Society,  
has reelected all but one of its of-  
ficers for the next two years. Those  
elected are —  
Towner K. Webster, Oregon, Ill.,  
chairman; Dr. Gerald B. Smith,  
Woodburn, Ore., vice-chairman;  
Dr. W. F. Amonette, Radford, Va.,  
secretary-treasurer; and the fol-  
lowing directors: Charles A. Pfahl,  
Akron Ohio; Maurice C. Blake,  
Brookline, Mass.; Clarence W. Wil-  
son, Detroit, Mich.; and W. W.  
Hicks of Villanova, Pa.  
The only newly elected officer is  
David Lidman of Park Ridge, N.J.,  
as scribe. He succeeds Philip E.  
Baker, who resigned.  
Information on the Three Cent  
1851-57 Unit, which stresses re-  
search in the field giving the group  
its name, may be obtained from  
Dr. W. F. Amonette, Radford, Va.,  
secretary-treasurer.

**BRITISH  
EMPIRE  
REVIEW**  
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The following news item has re-  
cently appeared in the New York  
Times:—  
"Queen Approves New Stamps  
"London, July 13 (Reuters)—  
Scotland, Wales and Northern Ire-  
land are to have stamps of their  
own design for the first time. Dr.  
Charles Hill, Postmaster General,  
announced today that Queen Eliz-  
abeth II had approved of new  
stamps for all three, and for Jer-  
sey and Guernsey in the Channel  
Islands, and the Isle of Man."  
This is certainly sensational and  
unexpected news and collectors  
everywhere will watch further  
developments with great interest.  
Politically, such a step is hard to  
understand as the London authori-  
ties have always stressed the es-  
sential unity of the British isles  
and have always opposed all Scot-  
tish, Welsh or Ulster nationalist or  
separatist movements.  
Newsbits from here and there:—  
The Berlin Stamp Dealers' Assn.  
has sponsored a Gallup-like poll of  
stamp collectors in West Germany  
and West Berlin and the results  
are now in. A total of 2000 col-  
lectors were interviewed, amongst  
them some who merely "save"  
stamps torn from their own mail in  
an old cigar box and right on up  
through all degrees of specializa-  
tion.  
This test was restricted to per-  
sons over 18 and was conducted in  
a thoroughly professional manner.  
The findings are doubly interesting  
because of their unquestionable ac-  
curacy. The pollsters found that  
out of every 100 collectors in West  
Germany and West Berlin 86 are  
men, a ratio which probably holds  
true in most countries.  
68 out of every 100 collectors  
are between the ages of 30 and 59  
and only 18 out of every 100 are  
single! The hobby is more wide-  
spread amongst Protestants than  
amongst Catholics. It is four times  
as popular with professional peo-  
ple, civil servants, businessmen  
and white collar workers than with  
manual workers, and eight times  
as popular with them than with the  
farm population.  
The larger cities account for  
many more collectors than very  
small communities. Stamps are  
the favorite hobby of the eleven  
college graduates amongst every  
1000 collectors, although the ratio  
in West Germany and West Berlin  
is only 4% of the population.  
One reason for the unprecedent-  
ed boom in the German stamp  
trade is that more than a third of  
every 100 collectors are in what is  
regarded in Germany as the upper  
income bracket and almost half in  
the middle income bracket. It  
would be interesting to compare  
these figures with those prevailing  
in the United States and our guess  
is that they would be almost identi-  
cal.  
Ireland which doesn't break into  
the new issue columns very often  
will release a two-value set, 3d and  
1/3, in September to honor Com-  
modore John Barry, Irish-born  
founder of the U.S. Navy. The work  
is now under way at De La Rue's  
Dublin branch. This issue should  
prove to be an excellent seller due  
to many "Americana" collectors.  
Barbados will soon release its  
\$2.40 top value with the Royal  
Cyper changed to that of the  
Queen and almost certainly on St.  
Edward's Crown watermarked pa-  
per.  
Two interesting issues which will  
be in dealers' window displays by  
the time you read this: India's  
new 2 anna centenary of the birth  
of Tilak commemorative, an at-  
tractive and very inexpensive  
stamp printed by the photogravure  
process, and Egypt's eagerly  
awaited Second Pan-Arab Scout  
Jamboree issue of three values—10  
plus 10 mls, picturing the badge  
of the Arab Scouts, 20 plus 10 mls,  
Air Scout badge, and 35 plus 15  
mls, Sea Scout badge.  
The meeting has been held at  
Aboukir and the quantities issued  
are said to be 200,000 sets. There  
is an army of Scout topicalists and  
since there usually aren't too many  
new arrivals in their pet field,  
they'll certainly pounce on this  
one! The quantity should be large  
enough to assure wide distribution  
at a modest commission over face  
value—but there are also two sou-  
venir sheets, perforated and im-  
perforated—and they are horses of  
another color!  
These sheets which show all  
three denominations were report-  
edly limited to 2500 pairs, sold only  
to purchasers of at least 200 sets of  
stamps. This means, of course,  
that a mad scramble is on since

relatively few retailers can di-  
pose of 200 sets, but every dealer  
has at least a dozen Scout col-  
lectors who want to be taken care of  
on the two souvenir sheets!  
A similar stunt was tried by  
Egypt in 1946 and the two souvenir  
sheets, listed by Scott as B6a and  
B6b are now quoted at \$18.50 each,  
mint or used.  
Our guess is that the Scout  
sheets will turn out to be even  
better property in the long run. On  
first day covers, in time, they will  
be worth their weight in gold. Al-  
though the Scout sheets are a specu-  
lative, purposely limited issue,  
we venture a guess that they will  
be well worth owning.  
The 75th Anniversary of the New  
Zealand Meat Export Trade will be  
commemorated next February by  
4d and 8d denominations. The first  
shipment of mutton left New Zea-  
land for Britain in 1882 and ever  
since the English have forced down  
New Zealand mutton in the vain  
hope that the supply at the source  
would eventually dry up!  
Samoa #206, indigo and blue, has  
now been discovered to have an  
error in the design, a mistake that  
immediately brings Philippines  
#357 to mind. Again, the wrong  
waterfall has been pictured; The  
caption on the 3d reads "Aleisa  
Falls", but the scene shown is  
actually one of Malifa Falls! No  
word as yet whether a corrected  
stamp will be forthcoming.  
See you next week!

**Charter Membership  
In F. D. Cover Group**

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Society, the only national philatelic  
organization devoted solely to first  
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that time the society, which al-  
ready has nearly 1500 members  
in every state and fifteen foreign  
countries, will close its charter  
membership rolls.  
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cludes a subscription to First Days,  
the society's official bi-monthly  
publication. The magazine contains  
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other features of interest to col-  
lectors of old and current United  
States and foreign first day cov-  
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plicates and locate elusive covers  
through a free service in the "Cover  
Exchange."  
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ing formed coast to coast to bring  
members the added advantages of  
personal contact with collectors  
who share their interest in first  
day covers. Plans are now being  
completed for the society's first  
convention-exhibition, which will be  
held in New York City this No-  
vember.  
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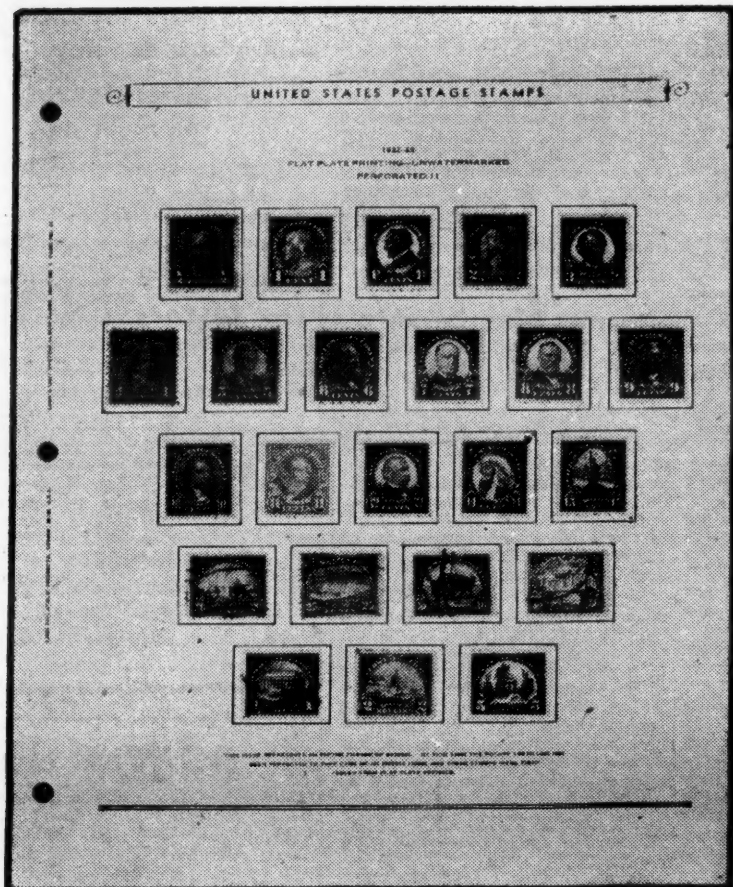
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**Tuesday, August 28, 1956**  
**LEONARD T. SALMON**  
 (MAIL SALE DEPT.)  
 18 E. MOUNT PLEASANT AVE.  
 LIVINGSTON, N.J.  
 Lots On View At Our Store, Located At  
 51 Fourth Ave., East Orange, N. J.

Usual rules and regulations governing all sales prevail. All lots will be sold to the highest bidder, at a slight advance over the next highest offer, received by 3 P.M. August 28th, 1956. THIS IS DEFINITELY A MAIL SALE. THERE WILL BE NO FLOOR BIDDING. TO TOP YOUR OFFERS, in sending your offers, state the highest price you are prepared to pay, your limit will not be used unless necessary. Bidders unknown to me will submit satisfactory references or expect to be billed for lots prior to receipt. ALL LOTS ARE FULLY GUARANTEED AND RETURNABLE WITHIN THREE DAYS OF RECEIPT. —Straight Edge—OC—Off Center—X—Cover; cance—Cancellation; R, L, T, B—Right, Left, Top, Bottom, etc.

**DESCRIPTORS**  
 VERY FINE—V—Slightly less perfect than superb.  
 FINE—F—Perforations clear, OG if mint, lightly cancelled if used.  
 VERY GOOD (VG)—Good collectible copy which may be a bit off center or a bit heavily cancelled.  
 GOOD (G)—Off center or heavily cancelled.

**CATALOG NUMBERS AND PRICES FROM SCOTT'S 1956 CATALOGS**  
 PLEASE MAIL YOUR OFFERS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

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181	181-182, 2c White Plains, mint, NH, F-VF	32.50
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